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1. ON FEBRUARY 19 ECONCOMMIN DISCUSSED WASHINGTON
CONFERENCE AND FOLLOW-UP PROCEDURES WITH SIR JACK
RAMPTON, PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY, AND LEONARD WILLIAMS, DEPUTY SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY. BOTH WERE MEMBERS OF UK DEL
TO WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE. RAMPTON EXPRESSED
SATISFACTION WITH RESULTS OF CONFERENCE, OBSERVING
THAT DETAILED KNOWLEDGE DISPLAYED BY AMERICAN
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PARTICIPANTS AND SUBSTANTIAL PROGRAM ELABORATED BY
US CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO ITS SUCCESS. HE VOLUNTEERED
THAT MAGNANIMOUS OFFER TO SHARE INDIGENOUS U.S. OIL
PRODUCTION IN EMERGENCY SHARING ARRANGEMENT WAS

SOMETHING OF A SURPRISE, ATTRACTED CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION, AND WAS WORTHY OF FURTHER STUDY.

2. RAMPTON SAID HE HOPED TO ATTEND FEBRUARY 25 MEETING IN WASHINGTON, BUT THAT, IN ANY CASE, WILLIAMS WOULD BE MEMBER OF UK DEL. HE NOTED THAT WILLIAMS, SUPPORTED BY OTHERS AS NECESSARY, WOULD BE SHOULDERING THE CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONFERENCE FOLLOW-UP WORK.

3. RAMPTON THOUGHT THAT, FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, WE WOULD WANT TO CONSIDER HOLDING SUBSEQUENT COORDINATING GROUP MEETINGS IN EUROPE, AND SAID THAT EUROPEANS WOULD WISH TO HAVE "SEVERAL" MEETINGS IN EUROPE BEFORE CONSIDERING OTHER SITES. HOWEVER, HE ALSO SUGGESTED A MEETING IN TOKYO MIGHT BE USEFUL TO ENCOURAGE JAPANESE TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE.

4. RAMPTON DWELT AT LENGTH ON THE UTILITY OF RELYING ON ESTABLISHED ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE OECD, AND COMMENTED THAT, AMONG OTHER ADVANTAGES, THIS WOULD ENCOURAGE FRENCH PARTICIPATION, WHICH HE ASSUMED WAS IN EVERYONE'S INTEREST. RAMPTON SAID BRITISH WERE PLEASED U.S. HAD BEEN FLEXIBLE WITH REGARD TO THE OECD AND OTHER POSSIBLE FORA IN WHICH FOLLOW ON WORK MIGHT BE CARRIED OUT. HE AGREED OECD SHOULD NOT BE ASSIGNED ESSENTIALLY "POLITICAL" TASKS, BUT BELIEVED IT HAD MUCH TO OFFER IN WAY OF ECONOMIC EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE. HE SAID HE THOUGHT

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THAT U.S. OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON HAD SEEMED TO BE UNAWARE OR UNCONVINCED OF GENUINE MERITS OF OECD AND COMMENTED THAT SECGEN VAN LENNEP HAD NOT FULLY SEIZED OPPORTUNITY IN WASHINGTON TO DRAW ATTENTION TO OECD'S RANGE OF CAPABILITIES.

5. WILLIAMS SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WERE TWO ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF USING OECD. SECRETARIAT STAFF ASSIGNED TO OIL COMMITTEE COULD BE STRENGTHENED SO THAT HIGH LEVEL GROUP OF OIL COMMITTEE COULD SERVE AS MORE EFFECTIVE TOOL FOR FOLLOW.ON WORK. THIS WOULD BE EFFICIENT, AS WELL AS ACCEPTABLE, TO COUNTRIES NOT REPRESENTED ON HLG. ALTERNATIVELY, CAPABILITY COULD BE CREATED WITHIN OECD, SEPARATE AND APART FROM HLG, TO PERFORM FOLLOW.ON FUNCTIONS. CONFIDENTIAL

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6. RAMPTON AND WILLIAMS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THEY DID NOT SEE THEIR WAY CLEARLY TO MEETING OF CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS, AND AGREED THAT THE OECD OFFERED BOTH ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT MIGHT SPONSOR SUCH A MEETING, IN WHOLE OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANOTHER ORGANIZATION.

7. COMMENT: RAMPTON'S INTEREST IN ATTENDING MEETINGS ON BRINK OF ELECTION IN WHICH ENERGY PROBLEMS ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT, IS EVIDENCE OF IMPORTANCE BRITISH ATTACH TO COORDINATING GROUP WORK, AND HOPES THEY HAVE FOR ITS SUCCESS.

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